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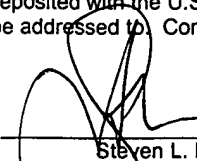
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In re Application of:
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Serial No.: 09/782,953

Filed: February 13, 2001

For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS
RELATING TO MUSCLE SELECTIVE
CALCINEURIN INTERACTING
PROTEIN (MCIP)

Group Art Unit: 1645

Examiner: Unknown

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED OCTOBER 2, 2002

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This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 2, 2002 for which the date for response was November 2, 2002.

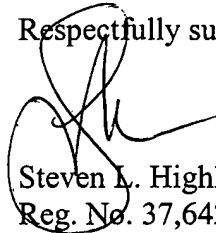
A request for a one-month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required fee. This one-month extension will bring the due date to December 2, 2002, which is within the six-month statutory period. Should such request or fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under

37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/10103790/SLH.

In response to the restriction requirement which the Examiner imposed, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute claims 59-60, 61-70 and 61-69, *i.e.*, the Group XIV claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3184 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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